

Amendments to the Specification:

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 10 at line 5 with the phrase “Fig. 5” and ending with the phrase “types of orthotics” with the following replacement paragraph:

Fig. 5 illustrates the use of a rigid plastic or other suitable material, to provide an elongate structural member 210 which may be attached to the underside of the arm, with its lower end extending beyond the elbow, terminating in a “free end”. Approximate this “free end” are attached three (as shown) straps 225 which connect an inflatable member ~~220~~ 224 (an air bladder in a fabric pouch) to the free end of the elongate member. This member ~~220~~ 224 is configured to be positioned adjacent to the forearm of a wearer, such that inflation of the air bag therein tends to provide pressure causing movement such as shown as M. This is conventionally called “extension” and is desired in certain types of orthotics.

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 10 at line 29 with the phrase “The apparatus 300” and ends with the phrase “adjustability of the straps” with the following replacement paragraph:

The apparatus 300 includes a substantially rigid structural frame 301 including a forearm bearing portion 302 and an upper arm bearing portion 304, connected by one or more connecting members 306. Also included are straps 325 and an inflatable member ~~320~~ 324 which can include an inflatable bladder contained by a fabric pouch. As are other configurations discussed herein, the straps are sewn to the fabric pouch by conventional means. As elsewhere in this discussion VELCRO-type attachments at 327 may be provided for detachability and adjustability of the straps.